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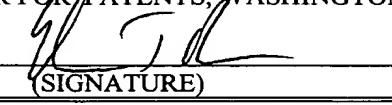
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BACKGROUND ADJUSTMENT  
IN COLOR REPRODUCTION DEVICES

This application is a  continuation,  divisional,  continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. 60/233,909 filed September 20, 2000.

Prior application info: Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Group Art Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant requests FIG. \_\_\_\_\_ to be published with the application.

Enclosures:

- Specification (pages 1-7); claims (pages 8-10); abstract (page 11)
- 4 sheets of FORMAL drawings
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  - Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
  - Incorporation by Reference--The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- Deletion of Inventors (signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))
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